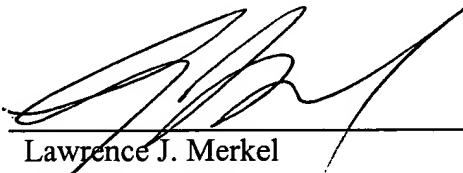


### CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has questions, comments or concerns, the undersigned attorney earnestly requests a telephone conference. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5760-22300/LJM.

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